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Introduction of The WFK Morrow Lecture

Keith Morrow was appointed to the consultant staff of the Royal Victoria Hospital in 1968 and served it devotedly until his premature death in 1982. He studied Medicine at Queen's having crossed the road from Methodist College, and qualified in 1948. He then trained in anaesthetics in the Royal but his first consultant appointment was in Banbridge and then Lurgan hospitals. He was a fellow of the Faculty of Anaesthetists of the Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland and a Fellow of the Royal College of Physicians of Edinburgh. Specialization was not for him. Although his main area of interest was in the, then young but rapidly, developing area of intensive care, he was comfortable providing anaesthesia for eye, ent, dental, thoracic, abdominal and orthopaedic surgery. As far as his juniors were concerned, he was always approachable, always supportive and always knew exactly what to do. He was immensely courageous in the face of relentless disease, he managed to retain his puckish sense of humour through it all. A lovable person and a generous host he had great personal charm and warmth. By recognition of his unique qualities the medical staff of the Royal Victoria Hospital asked that this lecture be given each year to perpetuate his memory.